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## UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL LETTER

## MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION

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Sir:

Enclosed for filing is the utility patent application

## of <u>1) Antoine PATURLE</u>, <u>2) Cédric DELBET</u> for <u>TIRE COMPRISING A COLORED</u> DESIGN AND PROCESS FOR OBTAINING IT.

- [v] Applicant(s) suggest(s) Figure 3 for inclusion on the front page of the patent application publication and patent.
- [6] Applicant(s) requests that the published application include the following assignment information: MICHELIN RECHERCHE ET TECHNIQUE S.A., Granges-Paccot, Switzerland.

Also enclosed are:

- [v] One sheet(s) of drawings;
- [] a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 119 and/or 365 is [] hereby made to Patent Application Serial No. 03/03907 filed in France on March 28, 2003;

 $[\checkmark]$  in the declaration;

- [4] Certified copy of Priority Document No. 03/03907;
- [ ] a General Authorization for Petitions for Extensions of Time and Payment of Fees;
- [ \dagger ] an Assignment document;
- [ ] an Information Disclosure Statement;
- [ ] a patent application data sheet; and

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- [ $\checkmark$ ] An [ $\checkmark$ ] executed [ ] unexecuted declaration of the inventor(s)
  - [v] also is enclosed [ ] will follow.
- [ ] Small entity status is hereby claimed.

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[ ] Other:

[ \( \) The filing fee has been calculated as follows [ ] and in accordance with the enclosed preliminary amendment:

CLAIMS							
	NO. OF CLAIMS		Extra Claims	RATE	FEE		
Basic Application Fee	\$770.00 (1001)						
Total Claims	MINUS 20 =		× \$18.00 (1202) =				
Independent Claims	2	MINUS 3 =		× \$86.00 (1201) =			
If multiple dependent claims are presented, add \$290.00 (1203)							
Total Application Fee	770.00						
If small entity status is claimed, subtract 50% of Total Application Fee							
Add Assignment Recording Fee \$40.00 (8021) if Assignment document is enclosed 40.00							
TOTAL APPLICATION	TOTAL APPLICATION FEE DUE 810.6						

[	]	This application is being filed without a filing fee.	Issuance of a Notice to File Missing
		Parts of Application is respectfully requested.	

- [ $\checkmark$ ] A check in the amount of \$\frac{810.00}{} is enclosed for the fee due.
- [ ] Charge \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to Deposit Account No. 02-4800 for the fee due.
- [X] The Director is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

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